

REMARKS

Claims 8-13 are currently pending in the application. Claims 8-10 and 12-13 have been indicated as allowable in the Office Action mailed on April 18, 2005. Claim 11 is canceled herein.

Cancellation of claims should in no way be construed as an acquiescence to any of the Examiner's rejections. Cancellation of the claims are being made solely to expedite prosecution of the present application and do not, and are not intended to, narrow the claims in anyway. Applicants reserve the option to further prosecute the same or similar claims in the instant or in a subsequent patent application.

Rejection of claim 11 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first and second paragraphs

Claim 11 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first and second paragraphs. Claim 11 has been canceled, thereby rendering its rejection moot. Reconsideration and withdrawal of these rejections is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

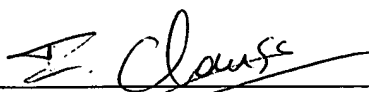
Based on the above Remarks, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. If a telephone conversation with Applicant's Attorney would expedite prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is urged to call the undersigned at (617) 832-1294.

Applicants believe that no fees are due in association with this submission. However, if any fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account Number **06-1448, Reference HMT-048.01.**

Respectfully submitted,

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